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Applicant: Willem Johan VAN DER GIESSEN et al.
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Re: INTRALUMINAL DEVICE, COATING FOR SUCH
DEVICE, AND METHOD FOR PREPARING SAID
DEVICE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
SUBMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE
FILING OF A NEW PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

April 1, 2002

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Respectfully submitted,

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